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46. The glass of Claim 1 wherein the alkali metal oxide content of the glass is less than about 0.1 mol percent.

A copy of original Claim 1 annotated to show the changes made by this amendment is attached as Exhibit A.

REMARKS

Submitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of this application and the required fee.

Support for the above amendment to Claim 1, as well as for added dependent Claim 44, can be found at page 5, line 16, of applicants' specification. Support for added dependent Claims 45 and 46 can be found at page 5, lines 18-19.

Consideration of the foregoing in connection with the continued prosecution of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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